

MINUTES

City of Flagstaff

Beautification & Public Art Commission

4:00 p.m. - Wednesday, May 1, 2013

City Hall, Council Conference Room, 211 W. Aspen Avenue



I.

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Aiken called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

COMMISSION MEMBERS: Bruce Aiken, Chair, *present*

Robert Chambers, *absent*

Anne Doyle, present

Vicky Foster, *absent-excused* Emma Gardner, *absent-excused*.

Linda Giesecke, *present*Dan Hunt, *absent-excused*

Laura Kelly, *present* Heather Malloy, *present*

CITY STAFF: Karl Eberhard, Staff Liaison, *present*

Carrie Nelson, Recording Secretary, present

Others Present: R.E. Wall and Margaret Dewar

PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

(At this time, any member of the public may address the Commission on any subject within their jurisdiction that is not scheduled before the Commission on that day. Due to Open Meeting Laws, the Commission cannot discuss or act on items presented during this portion of the agenda. To address the Commission on an item that is on the agenda, please wait for the Chair to call for Public Comment at the time the item is heard.)

Mural Mice gave a presentation of their mural, May 18-25, 2013. Kick start party; bring your families to the event.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Reconsiderations, Changes to the Agenda, and other Preliminary Announcements)

Short agenda, as guests not here.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. April 3, 2013

MOTION:

Commissioner Giesecke made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 3, 2013 regular meeting. Commissioner Doyle seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

I. OLD BUSINESS

(Continued, postponed, and tabled items)

1. Then and Now

Address: 5 S. San Francisco Property Owner: City of Flagstaff

City Staff: Mark Di Lucido, CD&R Project

Administrator

REQUESTED ACTION: Discuss and provide direction as

appropriate.

This Commission will seek artists to paint a mural on the Phoenix Avenue elevation of the Lumberyard Brewing Company that may include a small landscaping and/or sculptural art component. The Commission seeks a piece that celebrates the Route 66 and Southside history and serves to entice pedestrians to explore Phoenix Avenue.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Discuss and provide direction as

appropriate.

Mark Di Lucido presented some of the finished pieces of the Then and Now project pictures that are displayed at City Hall and the Flagstaff Pulliam Airport. Additional work is being done on the framing and nameplates.

2. Flagstaff Area Regional Land Use and Transportation Plan Update

City Staff: Bob Caravona, Comprehensive Planning

Manager

REQUESTED ACTION: Hear presentation, provide comments

and direction as appropriate.

The Flagstaff Comprehensive Planning Team continues to work with the community, including City Boards and Commissions, on an update of the RLUTP. In this update, Staff will present the Regional Plan Design Charrette Days and inform the Commission of dates of each event and where to get more information on each date.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Hear presentation; provide comments

and direction as appropriate.

Not here.

3. Discussion: VisionFlagstaff.com

Address: Varies

City Staff: Mark DiLucido, CD&R Project

Administrator

REQUESTED ACTION: Hear presentation, discuss, and provide

direction.

Staff will present an update of the VisionFlagstaff.com crowd-sourced place-making website that receives public input on projects related to public art, beautification, community design,

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heritage preservation, and redevelopment. This input will be used by staff and commissions to initiate and prioritize projects.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Hear presentation, discuss, and provide

direction as appropriate

Mark Di Lucido presented on the new Vision Flagstaff website.

II. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Beautification in Action Grant Request

Project: Recycled Art (aka Aquaplex Public

Art Project)

Address: 1400 W. Mars Hill Road

Applicant: Mike Frankle
Artists Coalition

City Staff: Karl Eberhard, Staff Liaison

REQUESTED ACTION: Approve grant request.

This applicant requests \$2,500 to construct and install a recycled art sculpture at Lowell Observatory. The Commission previously considered this piece when it was proposed for the Aquaplex (eyeball with wings). The design has changed (Mars), the proposed location has changed, and funding is now requested. The piece would be located in a public location where there is no charge to patrons.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review application, discuss, confirm

compliance with program guidelines to the satisfaction of Commission, and act

on the request.

Mr. Eberhard explained that the original art sculpture was not accepted at the Aquaplex. A new location was proposed to the Lowell Observatory. The design has also been changed to a Mars type theme due to location. Mr. Frankle is requesting \$2500 to construct and install the art sculpture at Lowell Observatory. After some discussion the Commissioners would like to suggest to Mr. Frankel to find another location for the art sculpture.

MOTION:

Commissioner Kelly made a motion to move the sculpture to a different location. Commissioner Giesecke seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

2. Yarn Bombing Project

Address: Various (Downtown)
Applicant: Kathy McKeiver

Knit One, Bomb Too

City Staff: Karl Eberhard, Staff Liaison

REQUESTED ACTION: Provide recommendation.

This application proposes an organized yarn bombing event. Yarn Bombing is a form of street art involving knit pieces on public furniture and fixtures (flyer attached). It is non-permanent and will not cause any damage to property. They are planning the first large scale installation for October 4, 2013, during the First Friday Art Walk, in partnership with local businesses.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Provide recommendation.

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Mr. Eberhard mentioned that the City is asking the Commissioners to consider this recommendation. Mr. Eberhard is working with Public Works staff on the requirements to have the yarn bombing project up for two-three months. Commissioners would like to suggest some other locations.

MOTION:

Commissioner Giesecke made a motion to approve the permit and encourage staff to find additional sites for the yarn bombing project. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

III. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS REPORTS

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Informal Announcements, Future Agenda Items, and Next Meeting Date)

The 2nd Sockdolager has been placed at the Flagstaff Pulliam Airport and will be located by the TSA booth.

a. Next regular meeting date - June 5, 2013

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. with unanimous consent.